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In re Patent Application of)	MAIL STOP
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Gerald Bocquenet et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1621
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Application No.: 10/502,179)	Examiner: Brian J. Davis
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For: CONTINUOUS PROCESS FOR THE)	
HYDROGENATION OF NITRILES OR)	
NITRO COMPOUNDS TO AMINES)	
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FIRST INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed. However, copies of the listed U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications are not enclosed since it is no longer required.

The following comments are provided regarding the non-English citations:

FR 2 773 086 A1 is in French, U.S. Patent No. 6,518,449 B1 to Boschat et al., is cited to serve as an English counterpart.

FR 2 749 191 A1 is in French, U.S. Patent No. 6,478,968 B1 to Perrona et al., is cited to serve as an English counterpart.

The documents are being submitted after a first Office Action on the merits but prior to the closing of prosecution, therefore under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is enclosed.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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